ACP Scheme for Senior Stenographers in DDA

525. MISS FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Assured Career Progression Scheme (ACP) applicable to the Central Government employees is also applicable to the employees of the grade of Sr. Stenographers in Delhi Development Authority (DDA);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Sr. Stenographer working in DDA have since been granted first and second financial upgradation under the ACP Scheme;

(d) if so, by when the necessary orders are likely to be issued; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to implement the scheme so as to bring the Sr. Stenographers of the DDA alongwith their counterparts in Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) The Assured Career Progression Scheme for the Central Government Civilian Employees has been introduced in DDA, as recommended by the 5th Pay Commission. It involves grant of financial upgradation in the same post for the prescribed period of 12/24 years.

Initially the Stenographers were being appointed in DDA in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 330—560. The pay scale of Grade 'C' Stenographers in the Government of India was Rs. 425—700. In the year 1979, these two pay scales were amalgamated by the DDA into a unified pay scale of Rs. 330—700 for all Stenographers. At the time of implementation of the 4th Pay Commission recommendations, this unified pay scale was again bifurcated in the pay scale of Rs. 1200—2040 and Rs. 1400—2300. The Stenographers recruited upto 1982 were considered for placement in the pay scale of Rs. 1400—2300 and were designated as Senior Stenographers. Further, in pursuance of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) O.M. No. 7(18)/E-III/91 dated 4.5.1990, the pay scale was revised from Rs. 1400—2300 to Rs. 1400—2600. The pay scale of Stenographers Grade 'C' in the Government was further revised to Rs. 1640—2900 w.e.f. 1.1.1986. In order to maintain parity of pay scale of Senior Stenographers of

DDA with Stenographers Grade 'C' in the Government, DDA revised the pay scale of Senior Stenographers from Rs. 1400—2600 to Rs.1640—2900 w.e.f. 1.1.1996. However, they have gone to the Court to give this revised pay scale w.e.f. 1.1.1986 instead of 1.1.1996. The matter is still subjudice.

Removal of construction in Vikaspuri

526. MISS FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3112 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th December, 2000 and state:

(a) whether Hon'ble High Court of Delhi had *vide* their Order in Civil Writ Petition No. 4203/98 dated the 20th July, 2000 directed the Commissioner, MCD to give sanctity to the site plan of Banasthali Public School sanctioned by DDA by removing the construction made by the residents of G Block, Vikaspuri on the 43 feet wide road; and

(b) if so, what action has since been taken by MCD to give effect to the above directions of the Hon'ble High Court?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) Municipal Corporation of Delhi has confirmed that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi by its Order dated 20.7.2000 in the Civil Writ No. 4203/98 directed it to take appropriate action so that the sanctioned plan could be given the sanctity. In the hearing held on 24.8.2000, the Hon'ble High Court passed orders to find out the feasibility of providing access from the place where temple has been built. The Residents Welfare Association of G Block, Vikaspuri has also filed a counter cases as CWP No. 6350/ 2000 which has been merged with the Civil Writ stated above. Action on opening of the gate will be based on the final judgement in the case which is awaited and is being pursued through the counsel of the MCD. MCD is waiting for the final judgement of Hon'ble Court in the case.

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†527. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.